10th Annual Elk Grove Community

Harvest Festival

Pampkin & Produce

Contest



Saturday, October 2nd, 2004 Elk Grove Regional Park 7 am - 5 pm

Call 405-5300 for more info. www.egcsd.ca.gov

Here's your chance to join in the fun of Elk Grove's

Pumpkin & Produce Contest!



Pumpkin & Produce Contest

Saturday 10/2:

7-9 am check-in 9 am-1 pm weighing 4 pm awards

5:30 pm option to load pumpkins*

Elk Grove Community Harvest Festival is 2 days - October 2 & 3!

The Giant Pumpkin & Produce Contest is held on Saturday, October 2nd. The Top 3 Pumpkin Entries must remain on display through Sunday, October 3rd. *

Join as for a fall weekend of fan: scarecrow & cooking contests, craft fair, kids' zone, petting zoo, pony & hay rides, entertainment & more....





official California
weigh off site

for the Great Pumpkin Commonwealth International Competition

All cash awards contributed by Event Sponsors

Elk Grove Community Harvest & Giant Pumpkin Festival

The Heftiest Pumpkin Awards*

(Judged by Weight)

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First Place	\$	5/lb
Second Place	\$2	2000
Third Place	\$1	000
Fourth Place	\$	500
Fifth thru Tenth Place	\$	250
Eleventh thru Fifteenth Place	\$	100
Sixteenth thru Twentieth Place	\$	50
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*There will also be \$50 & \$100 Mystery Spot!

*Heftiest Pumpkins Grown in Sacramento County

(Judged by Weight)

First Place \$500 Second Place \$200

Hefty Pumpkin Mystery Weight

2 cash prizes of \$150 will be awarded to the participating pumpkin specimens that weigh closest to the predetermined mystery weight.

The Future Farmer Pumpkin Awards*

(Entrants under the age of 18)

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First Place	\$150
Second Place	\$100
Third Place	\$ 75
Fourth Place	\$ 50
Fifth Place	\$ 25

*There will also be \$50 & \$100 Mystery Spot!

Largest Future Farmer Pumpkin Grown in Sacramento County

First Place	\$75
Second Place	\$50

Assorted Awards (judged by weight)

	First Place	Second	Place	
Squash	\$500	\$50		
<i>Natermelon</i>	\$200	\$50		
Cantaloupe	\$100	\$50		
Tomato	\$100	\$50		
Overall Prettiest Pumpkin* (over 50 lbs.) \$25 Overall Ugliest Pumpkin* (over 50 lbs.) \$25 * People's Choice * Aargest Zucchini (judged by weight) \$50 * Fallest Corn Stalk (length) \$50 * Aargest Sunflower (diameter) \$50				

Official Rules of the Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off

Date: Saturday, October 2nd, 2004

Time: All entries must be officially received

between 7:00 & 9:00 am in EG Park

Location: Elk Grove Regional Park

9950 Elk Grove- Florin Road

Elk Grove, CA 95624

Entry Rules and Limitations

- **1)** The specimen must be grown, cared for and exhibited by the grower. In cases of emergency (serious illness, death in the family, etc) the site coordinator will make the decision as to allowing exceptions to the rule, and the site coordinators decision will be final.
- **2)** An exhibitor may enter only one specimen per class and no more than two entries per family/household.
- **3)** Each family (household) will be eligible for only one cash award per class per year. Second entries will be allowed and recognized (see rule #2) but will not be eligible for the over-all prize.
- **4)** Color Requirements: To be eligible for the heaviest pumpkin, the specimen must be a minimum of 75% white to cream-yellow to orange in color. All others will be considered squash.
- **5)** The specimen must be sound, healthy, undamaged, free of rot, holes, cracks through the cavity, chemical (fungicides) residue and serious soft spots.
- **6)** No foreign material is permitted to be included in the weighing. The vine must be trimmed to one inch from the stem of the fruit. The judges reserve the right to fully inspect each specimen before the weight is announced and official. Refusal to allow the inspection of an entry will cause said entry to be deemed "exhibition only."
- 7) Any specimen previously entered or weighed at any other National or International competition prior to the GPC contest is not eligible for competition.
- **8)** In the event of a tie, the prize money for those two placings will be added together and divided equally between the entrants.
- **9)** To be eligible for GPC prize money, all specimens must be weighed without the use of tarps or other carrying devices.
- **10)** EGCSD and the Harvest Festival Committee will not be responsible for any damage to specimens.
- 11) Decisions of the judges are final in all cases.

Delivery of Entries & Pre-registration Information

There is no entry fee. All entry forms must be completed and mailed to:

Elk Grove Community Harvest Festival

8820 Elk Grove Blvd., Ste. 3

*Elk Grove, CA 95624

The Top 3 Pumpkin Entries are required to remain on site until 5:30 pm on SUNDAY, October 3rd.

Attn: Jonnie Siemens

Pre-registration is encouraged but not required.

All participants who pre-register by September 17 will receive a free park entry pass. For participants not possessing a parking pass there will be a \$5 per car park entry fee. All specimens must be accompanied by their owners, with a completed entry form if not pre-registered, and must arrive at Elk Grove Regional Park between 7 am and 9 am on Saturday, October 2nd. Large specimens should be brought on pallets. Festival personnel will be on hand to assist entrants in positioning entries. All registered pumpkins must remain on display until 5:30 pm on Saturday, October 2nd, 2004. The top 3 pumpkins must remain on display through Sunday, October 3rd at 5:30 pm. (All entries are encouraged to remain on display through Sunday, October 3.)

Weighing

Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 2004 • 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Awards Presentation

Local awards will be presented at approximately 4:00 pm on Saturday, October 2. The International GPC awards will follow at aproximately 5:00 pm.

Judging

This event is meant to be an enjoyable experience for the public. Decisions made by the Elk Grove Community Harvest Festival Committee and Pumpkin Judges are final.

Official Entry Form

Lam registering for the following category.

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Heftiest Pumpkin	Tomato			
Future Farmer* (pumpkins)	Corn Stalk			
Squash	Sunflower			
Watermelon	Zucchini			
Growers under 18 yrs. have the option of entering the leftiest Pumpkin or the Future Farmer Category. Ince pre-registered, the grower may <u>not</u> switch ategories - so please consider your choices carefully.	Cantaloupe			
Name				
Address	Sac County yes no			
City, State, Zip				
Daytime Telephone				
Evening Telephone				
E-mail Address				

The Elk Grove Community Services District, their officers and employees, and any cosponsor of this activity are not responsible for any injury which may be suffered by the participant while traveling to, during, or returning from the activity designated in this notice. The sponsoring agency has no medical insurance for individuals, and injury will be your own responsibility. Under California Law, an individual, or guardian if under 18, is responsible for any and all property damage, personal or private which the individual may cause during the course of an activity such as designated in this notice. Additionally, the participant, or parent or quardian if actual participant is under 18, acknowledges that the EGCSD reserves the right to photograph facilities, activities, and program participants for potential future use for publicity or promotion purposes only. I have read and understand this notice.

By signing I also understand the Top 3 Pumpkins will be required to remain on display through Sunday, October 3rd, 2004 at 5:30 pm and I will abide by these rules.

Signature of Participant (Parent if under age 18)